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Patricia K. Poprik, Treasurer
Republican Federal Committee of Pennsylvania
112 State Street
Harrisburg, PA 17101

Identification Number: C00044842

Reference: Year End Report (11/26/96-12/31/96)

Dear Ms. Poprik:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. The review raised questions concerning certain information contained in the report(s). An itemization follows:

-Please clarify all expenditures for "voter registration" and "get-out-the-vote". In addition, if any of the voter registration or get-out-the-vote activities referenced House or Senate candidates, they should be allocated accordingly, unless merely incidental to the overall activity. If a portion or all of these expenditures were made on behalf of federal candidates, they should be reported on Schedule B or F for Line 23 or 25 of the Detailed Summary Page, as appropriate.

A written response or an amendment to your original report(s) correcting the above problem(s) should be filed with the Federal Election Commission within fifteen (15) days of the date of this letter. If you need assistance, please feel free to contact me on our toll-free number, (800) 424-9530. My local number is (202) 219-3580.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Edward D. Ryan", is written over a horizontal line.

Edward D. Ryan
Reports Analyst
Reports Analysis Division

INSTRUCTIONS FOR PREPARING SCHEDULE B

The Detailed Summary Page is broken down into various categories of disbursements. Use Schedule B to list each disbursement required to be itemized. DO NOT combine more than one category of disbursements on the same Schedule B. Instead, use a separate Schedule B for each category of disbursements. The line number of the Detailed Summary Page to which each Schedule B pertains should be identified in the upper right corner of each Schedule. In addition, the committee's full name must be entered in the appropriate block.

For each disbursement required to be itemized during the reporting period, the political committee must provide the full name, mailing address, date, amount, and purpose of the disbursement.

The term "purpose" means a brief statement or description of why the disbursement was made. Examples of adequate descriptions include the following: dinner expenses, media, salary, polling, travel, party fees, phone banks, travel expenses, travel expense reimbursement, and catering costs. However, statements or descriptions such as "advance," "election day expenses," "other expenses," "expense reimbursement," "miscellaneous," "outside services," "get-out-the-vote," and "voter registration," would not meet the requirement for reporting the purpose of an expenditure. If the disbursement is a "loan repayment," "contribution refund," or other similar category of disbursement (other than an operating expenditure), the name of the category of disbursement (i.e., "loan repayment," etc.) is sufficient to meet the requirement for reporting the purpose of an expenditure.

For disbursements that are contributions to Federal candidates, or authorized committees, the committee must include under "Purpose of Disbursement" the name of the candidate and office sought (including State and congressional district, where applicable) and the aggregate year-to-date total of contributions made

to that candidate or committee in the purpose of disbursement box.

For each contribution to a Federal candidate or authorized committee indicate in the election check-off box the election for which the contribution was made. Contributions to a candidate or authorized committee which are not designated by the contributor for a specific election must be counted toward the contributor's limitation for the next election after the contribution is made. Contributions may be made for a past election only to the extent that the recipient has not debts outstanding from that particular election. In the event the contribution was made for an election prior to the current election cycle, the "Other" box must be checked and the type of election specified (e.g., "General 1986," "Primary 1986"). The election check-off boxes provided for each itemized entry on Schedule B should not be used when itemizing operating expenditures.

The "Total This Period" amount (the last line on Schedule B) must be added to all other disbursements for that category which are not itemized and carried forward to Column A of the corresponding line of the Detailed Summary Page.

CONTRIBUTIONS IN-KIND RECEIVED

Contributions in-kind received by the committee which are itemized on Schedule A must also be itemized as an operating expenditure on Schedule B. In addition, in the "Purpose of Disbursement" box include the notation "Contribution In-Kind," and the nature of the expenditure (e.g., consulting, polling, etc.).

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